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industrial effluents from 21 industrial estates of Delhi. This Project is under implementation and will be completed by December, 2002. Under the directions of the Supreme Court, additional steps have been taken by the Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi to close down polluting industries. Under the directions of a High Power Committee set up under the chairmanship of Member (environment), Planning Commission on minimum flow in river Yamuna, all the riparian States except Delhi have started releasing their respective share of water for maintaining 10 cumecs of minimum flow in Yamuna along Delhi. The water quality of Yamuna can be expected to improve only after all the common effluent treatment plants and sewage treatment plants are constructed and commissioned and pollution from other industries is effectively monitored and controlled.

Financial grants to Rajasthan

†242. DR. MAHESH CHANDRA SHARMA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) the amount provided by the Ministry of Environment and Forests during 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 to the Rajasthan Government as grant and the details of items, programme projects of any other special head under which the same had been given; and

(b) whether the Rajasthan Government has timely submitted expenditure account to the Centre?

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) The amount provided during 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 to the Rajasthan Government as grant and the details of item are given in the statement (see below).

(b) Grants are released to Rajasthan Government after details of expenditure are received.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Statement

Grants Provided to Rajasthan

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl. No.	Name of the scheme	Funds released during	
		1999-2000	2000-2001
1.	Development of National Parks and Sanctuaries	66.54	116.00
2.	Association of ST and Rural Poor in Regeneration of degraded Forests in Usufruct Sharing Basis Modern Forests Fire Control Methods	32.06	25.00
3.	Modern Forests Fire Control Methods	Nil	22.68
4.	Integrated Afforestation and Eco Development Project	376.57	432.67
5.	Area Oriented Fuelwood and Fodder Project	160.00	7.18
6.	Non Timber Forest Produce including Medicinal Plants	116.21	125.40
7.	National River Conservation Plan	50.00	—
TOTAL		801.38	728.93